

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA
Norfolk Division

CHRISTINE L., on behalf of
LORRINGTON L., deceased,¹

Plaintiff,

v.

KILOLO KIJAKAZI,
Acting Commissioner of Social Security,

Defendant.

Civil No. 2:23cv132

FINAL ORDER

Before the Court is an action filed by Christine L., on behalf of Lorrington L. (“Plaintiff”) under 42 U.S.C. § 405(g) seeking judicial review of the final decision of the Commissioner of Social Security (“Commissioner”) denying Plaintiff’s claim for disability insurance benefits and supplemental security income benefits under the Social Security Act. Pursuant to the provisions of 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1)(B) and (C), Rule 72(b) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, Rule 72 of the Rules of the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia, and by order of reference dated June 6, 2023 (ECF No. 8), this matter was referred to United States Magistrate Judge Lawrence R. Leonard for a Report and Recommendation.

¹ The Committee on Court Administration and Case Management of the Judicial Conference of the United States has recommended that, due to significant privacy concerns in social security cases, federal courts should refer to claimants only by their first names and last initials.

On June 26, 2023, Plaintiff filed a motion for summary judgment. ECF No. 10. On July 26, 2023, the Commissioner filed a brief in support of the Commissioner's decision and in opposition to Plaintiff's motion for summary judgment. ECF No. 12. On November 6, 2023, Judge Leonard filed a report and recommended that the Commissioner's final decision be affirmed. ECF No. 14. By copy of the report, each party was advised of their right to file written objections to the findings and recommendations made by the Magistrate Judge within 14 days from the date of mailing of the report. *Id.* at 12.

The Court has received no objections to the report, and the time for filing the same has expired. "[I]n the absence of a timely filed objection, a district court need not conduct a *de novo* review, but instead must 'only satisfy itself that there is no clear error on the face of the record.'" *Diamond v. Colonial Life & Acc. Ins. Co.*, 416 F.3d 310, 315 (4th Cir. 2005) (quoting Fed. R. Civ. P. 72, Advisory Committee's Note). Finding no clear error, the Court does hereby accept the findings and recommendations set forth in the report and recommendation of Magistrate Judge Leonard.

Plaintiff's Motion for Summary Judgment (ECF No. 10) is **DENIED**. The final decision of the Commissioner is **AFFIRMED**, and this matter is **DISMISSED WITH PREJUDICE**.

The parties are **ADVISED** that an appeal from this Final Order may be commenced by forwarding a written notice of appeal to the Clerk of the United States District Court, United States Courthouse, 600 Granby Street, Norfolk, Virginia 23510. This written notice must be received by the Clerk within sixty days from the

date of this Final Order.

The Clerk is **DIRECTED** to provide a copy of this Order to all counsel of record.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

December 1, 2023
Norfolk, Virginia

/s/
Arenda L. Wright Allen
United States District Judge